

Baltimore, Md., Jany. 9th, 1907.

The Board of Public Works of Maryland met this day at 2 p. m. in Room 602 Fidelity Building, Baltimore. Present: Governor Warfield, Comptroller Atkinson and Treasurer Vandiver.

The following communications were presented by the writers in person:

Baltimore, Jan. 9th, 1907.

To the Honorable Board of Public Works:-

I recommend the renting of the Wharf owned by the State on Light Street in front of the Tobacco Warehouse for the sum of ^{from} fifteen hundred to two thousand dollars for one year, with the following provisions; that is the Chief Tobacco Inspector or his representative shall have the poer to order steamers or anything else from said property at any time when in his judgment it is necessary for the receiving or shipping tobacco.

Very truly,

A. T. Robinson, Chief Inspector."

Baltimore, January 9th, 1907.

To the Board of Public Works,

Gentlemen:- In conformity with your instructions, conveyed to me through the Executive Department, under date of January 3rd, 1907, I hereby respectfully submit for your consideration the following. The wharf property (Pier No. 8) on Light Street, Baltimore, is one of the best located wharfs for rental purposes in the City. In my judgment, it would yield a gross revenue of six or seven thousand dollars per annum, for general merchandise and at the same time accommodate all the tobacco business in conformity with the provisions of Chapter 748 Acts 1906.

To do this it will be necessary to rebuild the wharf, the same being now, unfit for its purposes: inquiry made by me along these lines discloses a necessary, possible expenditure of, say \$3500. to construct a wharf 30' X 200'. Such a wharf would be very available for fruit and coal vessels and for truck boats.

These conclusions are the result of a very careful inspection and consideration of the premises and if I were placed in control of such property, I could produce these results; as a business proposition.

Respectfully submitted,
A. Cutino."

Mr. Robinson stated in a verbal report to the Board that it was, in his opinion, highly important that amicable relations be maintained by the State Tobacco Warehouse Management with the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia Railway authorities, as the steamboats controlled by that Company bring a very large amount of tobacco to the warehouses, and by incurring the ill-will of the officers of the company, a large amount of tobacco which the state warehouses now receive would undoubtedly be diverted to the Locust Point warehouses,. In view of this, he feels that while the rental for the wharf property should probably be more than \$2000., he thinks that wisdom dictates that concession should be made to the Railway Company.

On motion of the Governor, seconded by the Comptroller, it was

RESOLVED, That Chief Tobacco Inspector Robinson be instructed to take up this matter of increased rental for Pier No. 8 with the officers of the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia Railway Company, and report to the Board as early as possible the very best terms he can make with that company; the new agreement with the Company to begin from the first day of December last.

On motion of the Comptroller, seconded by the Treasurer, the following bills for advertising notices of redemption of the Penitentiary 3 1/2% Loan were ordered paid:

Daily Record	\$6.90
Evening News Publishing Co.	9.24
C. C. Fulton & Co.,	15.75
A. S. Abell Co.,	

On motion of the Treasurer, seconded by the Comptroller, the bill of George W. Walther & Company, for \$695.00, for putting in large water filter and making all connections therefor, in the Executive Mansion, was ordered paid out of the Contingent Fund of the Board of Public Works.

On motion of the Comptroller, seconded by the Treasurer, the bill of the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, for one month's rent of Room 602 Fidelity Building, \$37.50, was ordered paid.

On motion, the Board adjourned at 3 p. m.

Osmond Gilghman

Secretary.